

Office of the Attorney General State of Texas

June 13, 1991

Honorable Rick Crawford The State of Texas House of Representatives P.O. Box 2910 Austin, Texas 78768-2910

OR91-289

Dear Representative Crawford:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 12431

You received a request for "correspondence or memoranda of meetings concerning the proposed relocation of the Rocky Flats nuclear facility to Pantex." You have submitted for our inspection as responsive to the request a letter dated April 15, 1991 accompanied by attachments.

We have considered the exceptions you claimed, specifically section 3(a)(6) and 3(a)(9), and have reviewed the documents at issue. Previous determinations of this office, Open Records Decisions Nos. 506 (1988); 473 (1987); 429 (1985), copies of which are enclosed, resolve your request.

Open Records Decision No. 429 held that section 3(a)(6) does not apply to communications from persons acting solely as interested parties who wish to influence the legislative process. Open Records Decisions 506 and 473 illustrate the that section 3(a)(9) protects the common-law privacy interests of elected officials. As the requested information does not implicate your common-law privacy interests, section 3(a)(9) does not except it from public disclosure. Accordingly, you must release the requested information.

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your

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request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR91-289.

Yours very truly,

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Opinion Committee

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Enclosure: Open Records Decisions Nos. 506, 473, 429

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